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NEWS RELEASE

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Woman Killed Three Others Injured and One Arrested In Overnight Crash

Date/Time: 08/24/2013 @ 2:56a.m.

Location: Purple Heart Highway Exit 24

Vehicle: 2005 Dodge Ram 1500, Pickup, Silver

Driver: White male, 22 years of age, Fort Bliss Texas(**Charged**)

Passenger: Hispanic female, 20 years of age, Anthony Texas Resident(Killed)

Passenger: White male, 22 years of age, East El Paso Resident White male, 20 years of age, Fort Bliss Texas

Passenger: Hispanic Female, 23 years of age, West El Paso Resident

EL PASO, TEXAS – Just before three this morning, Officers from the Northeast Regional Command responded to a crash involving a single vehicle at Loop 375(Purple Heart Highway) near Railroad. The Officers found that a 2005 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup truck had overturned and that one person had been killed. Officers from the Special Traffic Investigation Unit responded to assist in the investigation. The investigators found that the truck was being driven by a 22-year old man and that he was traveling at a high rate of speed eastbound on Loop 375. For reason not yet determined he began to lose control of the vehicle and began to veer left across all lanes of traffic and struck the concrete center barrier. This impact caused the vehicle to overturn and finally came to rest on the west bound lanes of Loop 375. The vehicle had a total of 4 passengers. The front center passenger was partially ejected from the vehicle and died at the scene. The driver and three other passengers received minor



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injuries and were taken to University Medical Center for treatment. The driver is currently hospitalized and is being charged with Intoxicated Manslaughter. Alcohol and speed are being considered factors at this time. This is the 31st traffic fatality of the 2013 compared to 35 at this time last year.

FYI: Names will not be released until the driver is booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.

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